MORTON GROVE
PUBLIC LIBRARY

JUNE–JULY 2025

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SUMMER READING PROGRAM

JUNE 1–JULY 31

BIRTH–GRADE 8

Register online June 1–30 at **mgpl.org/summer**. After you register, pick up your Summer Reading materials at the Youth Services desk. Check in throughout June and July to earn prizes and enter the grand prize drawing. Find activities, a printable reading log, and more at **mgpl.org/summer**.

Many thanks to this year's Gold Sponsor ProAuto

Summer Reading Block Party

All Ages
Friday, June 6, 6–8 pm (music starts at 6:30 pm)
Kick off the Summer Reading Program! Bring chairs or blankets and enjoy rock music performed by Roger That on the Library's front lawn. Fill a bag for $5 at the Book Sale. Enjoy free shaved ice from Kona Ice, lawn games, crafts, and more. In case of bad weather, the concert will be held in the Baxter Auditorium.

Tie-Dye Your T!

All Ages
Tuesday, June 24, 5:30–7 pm
Thursday, July 10, 10:30 am–12 pm
Tuesday, July 15, 5:30–7 pm
Saturday, July 26, 10:30 am–12 pm
Wednesday, August 6, 10:30 am–12 pm
After you earn your Summer Reading shirt, bring it to the Library for some tie-dye fun! Only official Summer Reading shirts will be tie-dyed. This program will be held on the Library's front lawn (weather permitting).

MGPL On the Go: Oriole Pool

All Ages
Saturday, June 28, 12–2 pm
MGPL cardholders get free entry to Morton Grove Park District's Oriole Pool. MGPL staff will be on site to register Morton Grove residents for Library cards and provide storytimes during the safety breaks..

End of Summer Reading Party

All Ages
Saturday, August 2, 3:30–4:30 pm
Enjoy a cool treat, water play, and family-friendly fun on the Library lawn weather permitting. Wear your Summer Reading Program shirt. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Adult and Teen Summer Reading Program on page 7.

Storytimes and More . . .

Monday Morning Playgroup

Birth to age 5 with a parent/caregiver
Mondays, 9:30–11 am (no class June 30)
Drop in for some open-ended play and meet new friends at our weekly playgroup.

Bedtime Stories & More

Birth to age 5 with a parent/caregiver
Mondays, June 2 and July 7, 6:30–7 pm
Spend time winding down for bed with a few stories and songs.

Summer Storytime

Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver
Tuesdays, 10–10:45 am or 11:15 am–12 pm
Listen to stories, sing songs, and more at this fun family storytime.

Let's Potty! Storytime

Ages 2–4 with a parent/caregiver
Wednesday, June 4, 10–10:45 am
Enjoy stories, songs, and other fun activities focused on being a big kid who uses the bathroom, gets new underwear, and has no more diapers! **R**

Water Babies

Birth to 24 Months with a parent/caregiver
Fridays, 9:30–10:15 am or 11–11:45 am (no class July 4)
Grab a towel and bring your baby for a splashing good time. In case of bad weather, this program will be held in the Activity Room. Older siblings welcome. **R**

stories in the park

Family
Wednesdays, 10–10:30 am (no class June 4)
Each Wednesday we'll host a storytime at a different Morton Grove Park District park. Check **mgpl.org/events** for specific locations (weather permitting).

After storytime on June 25 and July 16, the Early Childhood Alliance will bring activities, treats, and fun as they share information about early childhood (birth to five).

EARLY CHILDHOOD

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REGISTRATION begins May 15 for June events and June 15 for July events unless otherwise noted.

Pride Storytime

Family
Thursday, June 12, 10–10:30 am
Join us for a Pride month storytime featuring books and songs that celebrate everyone. **R**

Mini Music Makers

Ages 2–5 with a parent/caregiver
Thursday, June 19, 10–10:45 am
Feel the rhythm; hear the rhyme. It's Mini Music Maker time! **R**

Build-a-Reader Storytime

Ages 2-5 with a parent/caregiver
Sunday, June 22, 3–3:45 pm
Join us for a fun storytime featuring our jungle-themed DUPLO Read & Build set. Siblings are welcome but build and craft supplies are limited to registrants. **R**

Tiny Science
Ages 3–5 with a parent/caregiver
Thursdays, 10–10:45 am
June 26: Dinosaurs
July 24: Flowers
Discover more about the world through stories and activities. R

Family Storytime

Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver
Saturdays, June 28 and July 26, 10–10:45 am
Bring the whole family to this storytime filled with books, songs, and fun.

Bluey Bash

Birth to Age 8 with parent/caregiver
Monday, June 30, 10–11 am
Drop-in for a Bluey party and explore fun stations based on the show. A few lucky kids in attendance will win a Bluey book.

Firework Storytime

Ages 3–5 with a parent/caregiver
Thursday, July 3, 10–10:45 am
Kick off the holiday weekend with a bang with stories, songs, and wiggle-busting moves about fireworks! Siblings welcome. **R**

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Ages 3–5 with parent/caregiver
Saturday, July 12, 9 am–4:30 pm and Sunday, July 13, 2 pm–2:45 pm
Drop off your favorite stuffed animal for a sleepover at the library Saturday anytime between 9 am–4:30 pm! Come back to the library on Sunday at 2 pm to pick up your stuffed animal, and enjoy a story, songs, and a craft. **R**

Tots Dealing with Big Feelings Storytime

Ages 3–5 with a parent/caregiver
Thursday, July 17, 10–10:45 am
Learn about managing feelings through stories, songs, and activities. Come away with strategies to handle emotions that can be overwhelming. This session's feeling focus: sadness. **R**

Bubble Fest

All Ages
Thursday, July 31, 10–10:30 am
Drop by the front lawn for some bubble-tastic fun! We'll have all the supplies you need to make and play with bubbles, big and small. Children under the age of 8 need to be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

StoryWalk

This summer, visit our StoryWalk at Mansfield Park. The pages of a book are arranged on numbered signs around the park. Take a stroll and enjoy the book at your own pace.

June: *Ogilvy* by Deborah Underwood
July: *Ship in a Bottle* by Andrew Prahin

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and Kellogg Hubbard Library.

KIDS

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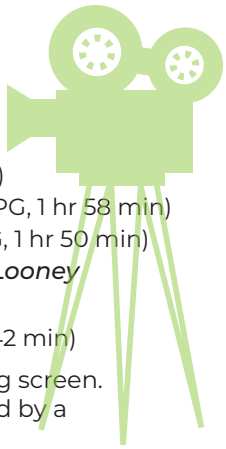
Anime Club
Grades 6–8
Thursdays, June 5 and July 3, 6–7 pm
A fun-filled hour of anime appreciation. We'll watch and talk about your favorite shows, eat snacks, and enjoy all things anime.

SUMMER MOVIES



All Ages
Fridays, 3:30 pm
June 6: *Moana 2* (2024, PG, 1 hr 40 min)
June 13: *Dog Man* (2025, PG, 1 hr 29 min)
June 20: *Mufasa: The Lion King* (2024, PG, 1 hr 58 min)
July 11: *Sonic the Hedgehog 3* (2024, PG, 1 hr 50 min)
July 18: *The Day the Earth Blew Up: A Looney Tunes Movie* (2024, PG, 1 hr 31 min)
July 25: *The Wild Robot* (2024, PG, 1 hr 42 min)

Watch family-friendly movies on the big screen. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

Nintendo Switch Gaming
Mondays, June 9 and July 28
Grades 3–6: **3–4 pm**
Grades 6–8: **4–5 pm**
Drop in to play Nintendo Switch games with your friends at the Library!

Everything Butt Art at the Library

Grades 3–8
Tuesday, June 10, 4–5 pm
Turn rear ends into fabulous animal drawings with minimal art skill.

Read to a Rainbow Dog
Grades 1–5
Tuesdays, June 10 and July 8, 6:30–7:30 pm
Trained therapy dogs patiently listen to your child as they read from a book of their choice. Participants should be able to read independently for their full 15-minute session. To register, visit the Youth Services Desk or call 847-965-4220 x2. **R**

Family Lawn Games
All Ages
Wednesdays, June 11 and July 16, 6:30–7:30 pm
Play zany games on the Library's front lawn! Games are geared toward school-aged kids and above, though younger children are welcome to participate with a grown-up. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

STEAM STOPS

All Ages
Thursdays, 3:30–4:30 pm
June 12: Balance Challenge
June 26: Circle Art
July 10: Play Dough Circuits (contains wheat)
July 24: Paper Airplane Cargo Challenge

Stop by the Activity Room for hands-on fun with science, technology, engineering, art, or math. You may join in any time during the session. Projects are intended for school-aged kids and above, though younger children are welcome to participate with a grown-up.

Crafty Saturday
All Ages
Saturdays, June 14 and July 12, 9:30 am–4:30 pm
Drop in the Youth Services Department to make a seasonal craft while supplies last.

LEGO Builders

Grades 1–8
Mondays, June 16 and July 21, 6:30–7:30 pm
Tuesday, June 24 and Thursday, July 17, 3–4 pm
Build something amazing with the Library's massive LEGO collection! Start with one of our monthly challenges then let your imagination guide you in a free build.

Drama Club
Grades 1–8
Tuesdays, June 17 and July 15, 4:30–5:30 pm New Time!
Bring out your inner drama queen or king and get creative with acting, improv, and theater games. **R**

Energy and Transportation on the Farm
Grades 1–5
Wednesday, June 18, 3–4 pm
Did you know that ethanol gasoline is made from corn? The Cook County Farm Bureau presents agriculture's ties to transportation with a story time, arts and crafts project, a hands-on activity, and a snack. **R**

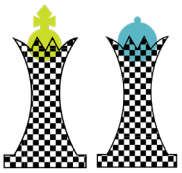
Rainbow Pride Chainmail
Grades 5–8
Thursday, June 19, 4–5 pm
Celebrate Pride month by creating a colorful chainmail bracelet. **R**

Chess Academy

Grades 1–8

Thursdays, June 19 and July 17, 7–8 pm

Learn how to play chess with chess master Chris Christmas. All skill levels welcome.



Juggle Up with Jared Janssen

Family

Saturday, June 21, 2–3 pm

Enjoy gravity-defying juggling that's sure to entertain the whole family.

Mess-terpiece Monday

Grades K–8 with a parent/caregiver

Mondays, 6:30–7:30 pm

June 23: Spin Art

July 14: Rock Painting

Come dressed for mess to this outdoor family art program on the Library's front lawn (weather permitting). Each session features a different paint-based process to try. Please register once per family/group. **R**

BINGO!

All Ages

Wednesday, June 25, 6:30–7:30 pm

Come play BINGO for fun and prizes on the Library's front lawn! Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Dinosaur Dimensions Puppet Show

All Ages

Friday, June 27

3:30–4:15 pm

Transport yourself to the age of dinosaurs with this fantastic interactive show featuring animatronic puppets!

Pop-in Project: Fairy Gardens

Grades 1–8

Sunday, June 29, 2–3 pm

Drop in and create your own fairy garden while supplies last. Limit one garden per person, materials limited to those in attendance.

Flyswatter Embroidery

Grades 4–8

Monday, June 30, 4–5 pm

Learn the basics of embroidery by stitching on a flyswatter. Shooing flies has never looked so good. **R**

LitLoot Middle School

Grades 6–8

July 1–14

LitLoot is a free literary subscription box filled with a custom selected library book and other goodies. To subscribe to July's box, register between July 1 and 14. We'll contact you when boxes are ready for pickup at the end of the month. Subscriptions are limited, so register early. **R**

Mini Masterpieces

Grades 1–5

Tuesday, July 1, 3–4 pm

Create like the great artists! We will look at the artwork of well-known artists and then use them as inspiration to create our own works of art. This session's artist: Jackson Pollock. Dress in clothes that could get messy with washable paint. **R**

Dungeons & Dragons

Grades 5–8

Tuesday, July 1, 6–8 pm

Saturday, July 26, 2–4 pm

Have you ever dreamed of fighting monsters or casting spells? Immerse yourself in the magical world of Dungeons & Dragons in these one-shot sessions. Snacks provided. All experience levels welcome. **R**

Button-Making Fun

All Ages

Wednesday, July 2 and Tuesday, July 22, 3:30–4:30 pm

Stop by the Activity Room anytime during the hour to design and create your own button, keychain, or magnet! Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Red, White & Bicycle (with Stomp Rockets!)

All Ages

Thursday, July 3, 4:30–5:30 pm

Drop by to trick out your bike in red, white, and blue and launch a stellar stomp rocket or two. This event will be held by the Library bicycle rack (weather permitting). Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

Wicked Sing-Along

Grades 6–12

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KIDS

Candyland Tournament
Grades 1–8
Wednesday, July 9, 4–5 pm
It's Candyland like you've never played before. It's lightning fast with treats galore! **R**

The Frog Lady Live Animal Show

Family
Saturday, July 19, 2–3 pm
"Frog Lady" Deb Krohn shows off her eclectic collection of live frogs, turtles, snakes, and lizards. Learn what makes each animal special in this hands-on, interactive educational experience.

Zentangle Art
Grades 3–8
Wednesday, July 23, 3–4pm
Use patterns and designs to create summer-themed hand-drawn masterpieces. **R**

Sound It Out to the Pup
PreK to Grade 4
Tuesday, July 29, 6:30–7:30 pm
A trained therapy dog patiently listens to your child as they sound out words and practice early reading skills from a word list or book of their choice. To register for a 15-minute session, visit the Youth Services Desk or call 847-965-4220 x2. **R**

Family Engineering Night
All Ages
Wednesday, July 30, 7–8 pm
Turn a STEM idea into an engineering project! Projects are intended for school-aged kids and above, though younger children are welcome to participate with a grown-up. This month we're building a skee-ball arcade. **R**

STEMonade Stand
Stop by the STEMonade Stand located at our Lincoln Avenue entrance for project kits to do at home. Each kit is sealed inside a zip-top bag with instructions and STEM connections. For more information and updates on biweekly projects, visit **mgpl.org/stemonade**. When life gives you lemons, make STEMonade.

TEENS

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LitLoot
Grades 9–12
June 1–16
LitLoot is a free literary subscription box filled with a custom selected library book and other free goodies. Subscribe to June's box at **mgpl.org/events**. We'll contact you when your box is ready for pickup at the end of the month. Subscriptions are limited, so register early. Library card required. **R**

Teen Hangout
Thursday, June 26, 7–8:30 pm
Thursday, July 24, 7–8:30 pm
Grab your friends and hangout, watch a show, pick a movie, play games, listen to music, do something crafty, and snack out with us!

Wicked Sing-Along
Grades 6–12
Tuesday, July 29, 5:30–8:30 pm
Join us for an unforgettable, interactive experience where you can "Defy Gravity" and sing your heart out to the most popular songs. Come dressed as your favorite character from the land of Oz. Popcorn, snacks, and refreshments will be provided.

100 BOOKS
We challenge you to read 100 books before graduating high school and win big along the way! Participants will receive raffle prizes and rewards for various book milestones. To sign up and learn more visit **mgpl.org/100books**.

SUMMER READING T-SHIRT BLEACHING

ADULTS

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ADULTS AND TEENS

LEVEL UP

Complete a log in-person or online at **mgpl.org/summer** starting June 1 and tell us about:

- Books you read
- Movies and shows you watch
- Music you listen to
- Video games you play
- Library programs you participate in

Complete and submit your first log to be entered into the prize drawings and get a Summer Reading t-shirt while supplies last.

Prizes: Complete and submit additional logs for a chance to win weekly drawings for Summer Reading coozies and the grand prize drawings on July 1 and August 1.

Grand Prizes

Teens: Grades 9–12
July: Swim Pack (Donation: Morton Grove Park District)
August: Raising Cane's Gift Card

Adults
July: Cooper's Hawk Gift Card
August: Themed Prize Basket

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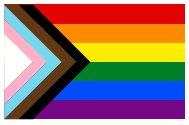
Summer Reading T-Shirt Bleaching
Thursday, July 10, 12:30–1:30 pm
Tuesday, July 15, 7:30–8:30 pm
Saturday, July 26, 12:30–1:30 pm
Spruce up your summer reading t-shirt with tie dye bleach! (weather permitting).

Senior Activity Kits
Stay busy and keep your brain active with creative activities and informational materials for seniors. Available on the first of each month at the Info Desk while supplies last.

Adult ESL Literacy Kits
Practice English with monthly ESL Literacy Kits for adults. Each kit may contain vocabulary puzzles, idioms, suggested activities, or a short reading exercise, along with the monthly issue of *Easy English News* newspaper. Suitable for all skill levels. Available on the first of each month at the Info Desk while supplies last.

DIY Pride Flags

Craft a flag to celebrate Pride Month! Pick up a kit at the Info Desk starting June 1 while supplies last. This event is a Morton Grove Has Pride initiative. More information at mortongrovepride.org.

Tiny Art Show

Join us for our 4th annual Tiny Art Show. Kits containing a 4" by 4" canvas, acrylic paint, and brushes will be available at the Info Desk starting July 1 while supplies last. Return your artwork to the Info Desk by August 1 to be displayed in the Library until the end of August.

Social Seniors

Join us for a variety of fun activities. Seating is limited, so register early to guarantee your spot. **R**

Bingo
Wednesdays, June 4 and July 2
10–11 am
Socialize as you play. Small prizes will be awarded to those who Bingo!

Arts and Crafts
Wednesdays, 10–11 am
June 11: Perler Bead Photo Frame
July 9: Painted Vases
Tap into your inner creativity with a fun and easy craft project.

Trivia
Wednesdays, 10–11 am
June 18: Back to the 90s!
July 16: Chicago History
Test your knowledge of iconic moments in history and pop culture.

Wits Workout
Wednesdays, June 25 and July 23, 10–11 am
Maintain and enhance your cognitive function and memory with this interactive event.

ADULTS

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Fix Your Posture
Wednesday, June 4, 3–4 pm
Licensed physical therapist R.J. Zamar will help you correct common posture faults through expert guidance and effective exercises. Gain valuable insights and practical techniques to align and strengthen your body. **R**

Custom Coozie Craft
Thursday, June 5, 2–3 pm and 6–7 pm
Keep your drinks cool this summer with a personalized coozie! Use pre-cut designs to make your creation uniquely yours. **R**

Nature Wellness Walk at Linne Woods
Thursday, June 5, 2–3:30 pm
Experience mindful walking and other restorative practices in a beautiful natural setting. Hosted by Leilah Siegel and Sophia Ottomanelli, Community Health Educators for Cook County. Find directions and meetup instructions at **mgpl.org.events**. (weather permitting) **R**

World Language & ESL Resources

MGPL offers world language materials for adults and children that reflect the needs and diversity of our community. If you're looking for materials in a language we do not provide, we can help locate them for you within our consortium.

Looking to learn, improve, or practice English language skills? We offer a variety of English as a Second Language (ESL) resources including a monthly Adult ESL Literacy Kit. To learn more about ESL resources, visit the Info Desk.

ESL Games and Gab (Conversation)
Fridays, June 6 and July 18, 10–11 am
Practice your English conversation skills while playing games. **R**

I-PASS on Demand
Tuesday, June 10, 12–4 pm
Have a question about your I-Pass? The Library is partnering with Illinois Tollway to provide a free walk-in service to help with payment options, account management and pay-by-plate management. Free I-PASS sticker tags will be available.

Evening Craft for Adults and Teens
Tuesdays, 6–7 pm
June 10: Perler Bead Photo Frame
July 8: Painted Vase
Tap into your inner creativity with a fun and easy craft project. **R**

Name That Tune (Online & Phone)
Wednesday, June 11, 10–10:30 am
In this virtual version of Name That Tune, participants listen (over the phone or via Zoom) to snippets of music then guess the name of the song. **R**

Healthy Living

Chair Yoga
Fridays, June 13 and July 11
9:30–10:30 am (In Person)
Led by certified yoga instructor Joan McGee.

Fridays, June 27 and July 25
9:30–10:30 am (Online)
Led by certified yoga instructor Susan Wilkens.

Practice seated poses in one of the gentlest forms of yoga, available online or in person. All experience levels welcome. Wear comfortable clothes. Please use a steady chair without arms (if possible). **R**

Cardio Drumming
Thursday, June 19, 2–3 pm
Get moving with a fun drumstick workout led by Mary Commodore of Get Fit Nutrition. **R**

Crafting For Charity
Saturdays, June 14 and 28, July 12 and 26, 9:30–11:30 am
Create handmade knitted and crocheted crafts for local organizations. Please bring your needles and/or hooks and some acrylic yarn. Seating is limited, so guarantee your spot by registering ahead of time. We are currently accepting yarn donations. **R**

Teen and adult Morton Grove cardholders can make an appointment to create Cricut projects, such as paper crafts, vinyl decals, and personalized items. There will be a small cost for materials. For learning resources, project ideas and material costs and to request a reservation go to **mgpl.org/create**.

History of LGBTQ+ Activism (Online)
Monday, June 16, 7–8 pm
John D'Emilio, Professor Emeritus of History, Gender and Women's Studies at UIC, explores pivotal moments in the fight for LGBTQ+ rights, highlighting the resilience and courage of activists who have shaped the modern LGBTQ+ movement. This event is part of the Morton Grove Has Pride initiative at mortongrovepride.org. **R**

Book Talk: Summer Reads
Wednesday, June 18, 10–11 am
Join us at the Morton Grove Senior Center, 6140 Dempster Street, for a roundup of the season's standout thrillers, mysteries, beach reads, and more. Books will be available for checkout so bring your library card. No registration is required.

Risking it All: The Signers of the Declaration of Independence
Monday, June 23, 2–3 pm

History Instructor Joyce Haworth explores the 56 men who risked it all for independence, highlighting both famous figures like Benjamin Franklin and John Adams, as well as lesser-known ones like Button Gwinnett. **R**

Navigating Hearing Aid Ads and Offers (Online)
Wednesday, June 25, 2–3 pm
Learn about the various types of hearing aids and offers that are currently on the market. Presented by North Shore Audiology. **R**

Jekyll and Hyde Revisited
Thursday, June 26, 2–3 pm
Join professors Jim Gould and Ted Hazelgrove of McHenry County College as they explore Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, discussing themes of morality, personal happiness, and the psychological forces behind cruelty. **R**

Concert: An Afternoon of Yiddish Nostalgia
Sunday, June 29, 3–4 pm
Bibi Marcell and Gail Mangurten will perform Yiddish soul music that will uplift your spirits and encourage you to clap and sing along! Co-sponsored by the Chicago YIVO Society. **R**

INDIE MOVIE NIGHT

The Last Rifleman
Wednesday, June 4, 6–7:45 pm
A WWII veteran escapes his care home in Northern Ireland and embarks on an inspirational journey to France to attend the 75th anniversary of the D-Day and faces the ghosts of his past. (2023, PG-13, 1 hr 35 min) **R**

Kubrick by Kubrick
Wednesday, July 2, 6–7:15 pm
A rare and transcendent journey into the life and films of the legendary Stanley Kubrick like we've never seen before, featuring a treasure trove of unearthed interview recordings from the master himself. (2020, NR, 1 hr 5 min) **R**

TUESDAY MOVIES @ MGPL

A Complete Unknown
Tuesday, June 3
10 am–12:15 pm

Saturday Night
Tuesday, June 10
10–11:45 am

Hoosiers
Tuesday, June 24
10 am–12 pm

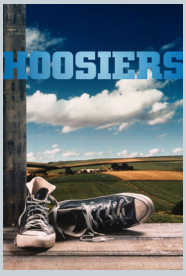
We Live in Time
Tuesday, July 1
10–11:45 am

Ford v Ferrari
Tuesday, July 8
10 am–12:30 pm

Ride the Eagle
Tuesday, July 15
10–11:30 am

Hilma
Tuesday, July 22
10 am–12 pm

The Sting
Tuesday, July 29
10 am–12 pm



ADULTS

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Advocacy and Allyship with PFLAG Evanston
Wednesday, July 9, 7–8 pm
Join PFLAG Evanston to learn about PFLAG's mission and how you can support members of the LGBTQ+ community and their families. This event is part of the Morton Grove Has Pride initiative at mortongrovepride.org. **R**

Owls of Illinois
Thursday, July 10, 2–3 pm
Learn about eight species of owls that live in Illinois during this presentation by Alyse Burman from the Wildbird Shack. **R**

Versiti Blood Drive Event
Saturday, July 12, 9 am–1 pm
Donate blood on Versiti's mobile bus, located in the Library's parking lot. Registration is recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. Expect your appointment to take between 45 minutes to an hour. Donors must be at least 17 (16 with signed parental consent form) and must weigh at least 110 pounds. Eat well and drink plenty of water before you arrive and bring a photo ID with you. **R**

Intro to Machine Sewing
Sunday, July 13, 2–4:30 pm
Sewing expert Mike Hall will go over the basics of setting up and using a sewing machine. Sewing machines and supplies will be provided. **R**

The Opioid Crisis: Emerging Trends and Lifesaving Responses
Monday, July 21, 7–8 pm
Community health educator Sophia Ottomanelli takes a deep look into the opioid crisis in Cook County and provides information on how to respond to an overdose. **R**

Balance Matters
Thursday, July 24, 2–3 pm
Join Jincy Chengazhacherril and Nancy Kalmes from Advocate Lutheran General Hospital for a discussion about the importance of balance in fall prevention. Learn about balance components, simple balance tests, back safety, flexibility, ankle mobility, and clinic services. Cosponsored by the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce. **R**

Exploring Spices (Online)
Spice: Hungarian Sweet & Spicy Paprika
Sunday, July 27, 2–3 pm
(pickup starts July 1)
Explore spices from around the world in this flavorful bi-monthly event. Pick up the spice of the month and then discover the taste by making any dish of your choice. At the end of the month, we will meet over Zoom to share results and experiences. **R**

Cable Options and Reducing Robocalls (Online)
Wednesday, July 30, 10–11 am
A representative from the Citizens Utility Board (CUB) will discuss TV choices, streaming services, cost-cutting tips, and new federal robocall legislation. **R**

Designer Hacks for Easy Flower Arranging
Thursday, July 31, 7–8 pm
Heather Coughlin from Pure Bloom Flowers will help you master the art of flower arranging with design hacks for creating professional-looking vase arrangements and a live demonstration. One lucky attendee will win a drawing for a floral arrangement. **R**

Civic Engagement Book Picks

Visit **mgpl.org/civics** for staff-curated lists of resources related to a variety of topics. Not sure where to begin? We have selected a few titles to help you get started.

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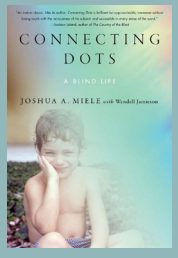
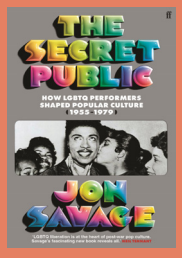
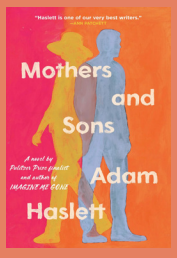


Connecting Dots
by Joshua Alexander Miele

LGBTQ

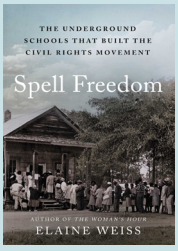


The Secret Public
by Jon Savage



Mothers and Sons
by Adam Haslett

Antiracism



Spell Freedon
by Elaine Weiss

Computers and Technology

Tech Tuesday (Drop-in)
Tuesdays, June 3 and July 1, 2–4 pm
Have technology questions that need answering? Get assistance with Library eResources, device trouble-shooting, e-mail, social media and more. Help is first come, first served.

PowerPoint Basics
Thursday, June 12, 2–3:30 pm
Learn how to add and delete slides, change layouts, format text, select themes and add graphics to a presentation. **R**

Tech Talk: Scareware and Social Engineering (Online)
Thursday, June 19, 10–10:30 am
Learn how to recognize and avoid deceptive security threats and online scams. **R**

Photo Editing with the Snapseed App
Thursday, July 17, 2–3:30 pm
Learn how to edit photos using the free Snapseed app. Please have the app downloaded to your phone iPhone or Android device. **R**

LEVEL UP

Your technology and business skills with LinkedIn Learning

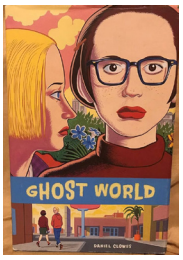
Your Father's Day gift with Consumer Reports

Your game with New York Times crosswords, Sudoku, Wordle, and more

Find other ways to level up at **mgpl.org/databases**

Book Discussion Groups

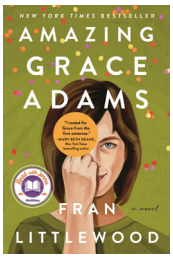
Readpool: Adult Graphic Novel Discussion Group (Online)



Ghost World
by Daniel Clowes
Monday, June 30, 7–8 pm **R**

Between the Lines

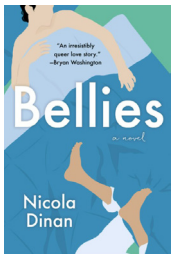
Young Mungo
by Douglas Stuart
Thursday, June 19
10–11 am (In Person)
Tuesday, June 24
7–8 pm (Online)



Amazing Grace Adams
by Fran Littlewood
Thursday, July 17
10–11 am (In Person)
Tuesday, July 22
7–8 pm (Online)

Between the Lines is held on two different days, either in person or on Zoom. New members are always welcome! **R**

LitLounge



Bellies
by Nicola Dinan
Wednesday, June 11
7:30–9 pm

Sitting Pretty
by Rebekah Taussig
Wednesday, July 9
7:30–9 pm

Meets monthly at the Skokie Public Library Cosmos Room.

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Sunday, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

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LIBRARY CLOSINGS
Friday, July 4: Independence Day

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Meet the New Library Board Trustee

Two Library Board Trustees were named in April's local election. Congratulations to Mohammed Hussain on his re-election to the Library Board of Trustees, continuing his dedicated service since November 2021. Congratulations and a warm welcome our new board member, Kim Moldofsky.

Meet Kim Moldofsky

Your life summed up
Dynamic writer, PR professional, and community-builder. Empty nester who loves making art, encouraging creativity in others, baking, hiking, and traveling.

Reasons for wanting to be on the Library Board
I believe libraries are an important part of the foundation of a democratic society. They're places to learn, explore, grow, and connect with people and resources - all without having to open your wallet each time you visit. I wanted to be a part of ensuring that our library is able to continue to offer these vital programs and services.

Fun fact
My husband and I have been to all 50 states together!

Favorite place in Morton Grove
The forest preserve.

Last thing you check out from the Library
My recent library haul included *This Phenomenal Life: The Amazing Ways We Are Connected with Our Universe* by Misha Blaise and *Gemstones* by Cally Hall.

Favorite book or movie
Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer